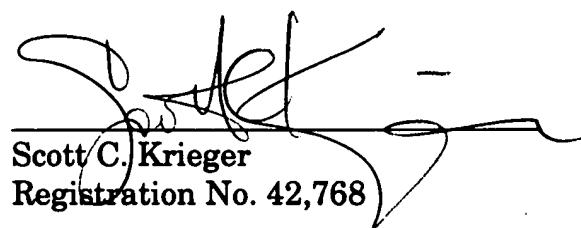


REMARKS

A "marked-up" version of this amendment is attached as Appendix "A." Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment and consideration of the application as amended.

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Appendix "A"

This application is a continuation-in-part (CIP) of two U.S.

patent applications: U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/681,409, filed

March 30, 2001, entitled "Methods and Systems for Print-Processor-Based

Printer Status Detection and Print Task Distribution," invented by Andrew

Rodney Ferlitsch, et al., now U.S. Letters Patent No. _____;

and U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/681,416, filed March 30, 2001,

entitled "Methods and Systems for Print-Processor-Based Print Task Error

Recovery," invented by Andrew Rodney Ferlitsch, et al., now U.S. Letters

Patent No. _____; both of which are continuation-in-part

patent applications of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/681,208,

filed February 22, 2001, entitled "Methods and Systems for Print-Processor-

Modified Printing," invented by Andrew Rodney Ferlitsch, et al., now U.S.

Letters Patent No. _____; which claims the benefit of U.S.

Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/261,132, filed January 11, 2001.

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